



Solano Transportation Authority

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**BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

Members:

Benicia
Dixon
Fairfield
Rio Vista
Solano County
Suisun City
Vacaville
Vallejo

**6:30 P.M., Thursday, March 3, 2005
Solano Transportation Authority
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
Suisun City, CA**

STAFF PERSON

I. CALL TO ORDER

J.B. Davis, Chair

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 3, 2005 BAC MINUTES – Pg. 1

Recommendation:

Approve the February 3, 2005 meeting minutes (6:35-6:40 p.m.)

**IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
(6:40-6:50 p.m.)**

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. TDA Article 3 Project Review

Robert Guerrero

Informational: (6:50 – 7:50 p.m.) – Pg. 5

**B. Caltrans Review of Countywide Bicycle Plan for BTA
Funds**

Robert Guerrero

Informational: (7:50 – 8:00 p.m.) – Pg. 22

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee will
be at **6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2005.**



BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of the meeting
February 3, 2005

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was called to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority's Conference Room.

Present:

BAC Members Present:	J.B. Davis, Chair	Benicia BAC member
	Glen Grant, Vice-Chair	Solano County BAC member
	Randall Carlson	Fairfield BAC member
	Bill Schmidt	Member-at-Large BAC member
	Mick Weninger	Vallejo BAC member
	Larry Mork	Rio Vista BAC member
	Jim Fisk	Dixon BAC member
	Ray Posey	Vacaville BAC member

Others Present:

Eva Laevastu	PAC Member, Chair
Morrie Barr	City of Fairfield Public Works
James Loomis	City of Vacaville Public Works
Taner Asku	City of Vallejo Public Works
Anna McLaughlin	STA
Robert Guerrero	STA
Sam Shelton	STA

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Glen Grant and a second by Bill Schmidt, the BAC approved the agenda.

III. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 16, 2004 BAC MINUTES

Glen Grant, J.B. Davis, and Randy Carlson made an observation that the minutes did not accurately reflect their comments made during their discussion of Fairfield's Linear Park application for MTC's Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program. Randy Carlson made a recommendation to approve the minutes with an amendment to state that the BAC will not support any other bicycle project before the McGary Road project.

On a motion by Mick Weninger, and a second by Bill Schmidt, the BAC approved the recommendation.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Fisk brought up a gravel issue along a stretch of Class 2 on the Dixon to Davis bike route. Robert Guerrero stated that he would contact the county to look into it. Bill Schmidt made an observation that sand was still covering the Crocket side of the Al Zampa Bridge and expressed concern for bicyclist safety. Robert Guerrero volunteered to contact Caltrans about the sand. Ray Posey announced that the Solano Bicycle Classic might be organized again.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. 2005 Bike to Work Week

Anna McLaughlin announced that SNCI is gearing up for this year's Bike to Work Week. Ms. McLaughlin asked for input and recommendations from the BAC to help make Bike to Work Week better. The following are the main points of this discussion:

Add Energizer Stations at Travis AFB, and biotechs in Vacaville (e.g., Genentech and Alza).

Elementary school outreach through prizes and safety presentations with police.

High school outreach through food (e.g., donuts) and movie passes. Possibly sponsor Xtreme bikers rather than police bicyclists.

Increase the \$100 bike incentives.

B. Class I Design Guidelines Discussion

Glen Grant discussed the need to create Class I bike path criteria before the BAC approve any further funding for Class I bike paths. The BAC raised many complaints regarding street crossing design, path width, path maintenance, and funding Class I paths where Class II paths would equally if not better accommodate bike commuters (i.e., Class II's receive better street sweeping). J.B. Davis expressed concerns about bicycle detection and preemption at intersections. J.B. Davis asked that Glen Grant work with Robert Guerrero to discuss formalizing these concerns into Class I guidelines.

C. MTC Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Program

Robert Guerrero summarized what took place at the Joint BAC/PAC meeting, how the TAC voted to recommend all the projects, and how the STA Board recommended all the projects. Mr. Guerrero stated that the STA would like to create a subcommittee of BAC members, PAC members, and a TAC member to discuss the distribution of funding sources that are mandated to both bicycle and pedestrian projects. Eva Laevastu expressed some concerns about being able to work together on these issues without competition.

Randy Carlson followed Ms. Laevastu's point and proposed combining the BAC and PAC into one committee. Mr. Carlson cited that having two different committees is an unnecessary duplication of bureaucracy. Carlson also cited that if Mike Segala has the wherewithal to sit on both committees, then the rest of the

BAC can evaluate pedestrian concerns as well. Mr. Carlson believes that one committee should discuss both competing issues together, not separately. Eva Laevastu recalled that while the PAC was evaluating the Vallejo Station project for pedestrian concerns, she later felt that bike issues should have been addressed.

Robert Guerrero explained the purpose for having two separated committees for bicycle and pedestrian purposes and that there are benefits to bringing these two committees together to discuss funding programs that support bicycle and pedestrian projects. Mr. Guerrero also noted that the BAC's focus on bicycle policies such as class II prioritization for funding might conflict with the PAC's focus for funding which primarily benefits class 1 multi-use paths. Mr. Guerrero further made the point that combining the two committees might dilute each committee's focus, however, there are vacancies on the PAC and if the BAC so desired to participate with the PAC members they may be appointed to that committee as well.

Mick Weninger expressed similar concerns about the BAC not adequately discussing pedestrian issues for bike projects. Bill Schmidt wanted to clarify that the BAC tries to support bicycle commute projects and not pedestrian recreational projects. J.B. Davis reminded the BAC that the Countywide Pedestrian Plan and the PAC primarily address pedestrian commute issues just as the BAC addresses bicycle commute issues. Morrie Barr discussed the importance of pedestrian projects that connect to transit hubs as encouraging alternative modes of transportation. Barr also reminded the BAC that certain funding sources can focus on bicycle issues, pedestrian issues, or both.

The BAC agreed to discuss this item further after a joint subcommittee consisting of the BAC and PAC members to review the pros and cons of combining both committees. Mr. Guerrero agreed to hold a subcommittee meeting with members from both the BAC and PAC and possibly one Technical Advisory Committee member after the Special BAC meeting on March 3rd. J.B. Davis volunteered to sit on the subcommittee as well as Randy Carlson.

The BAC expressed concerns about Mike Segala's dual membership on the BAC and PAC. Robert Guerrero reminded the BAC that there are no policies in place to restrict this activity, nor is it the BAC's role to appoint or restrict membership to either committee, which is the STA Board's duty.

D. BAAQMD and YSAQMD Clean Air Funding Programs

Robert Guerrero informed the BAC that if their agencies had any projects that they would like to see apply for these funds, that they should call their public works department. Glen Grant expressed his disappointment in the lack of projects that apply for these funds.

E. TDA Article 3 Process

Robert Guerrero gave an overview of the process that the BAC historically takes to recommend projects for TDA Article 3 funding. With the creation of the PAC, the BAC will need to work with the PAC in future cycles. J.B. Davis invited members of the PAC to attend the BAC to provide any comments on any projects presented.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Bill Schmidt announced that he has moved to Contra Costa County and can no longer be a member of the BAC; however, he will continue to come to BAC meetings and voice concerns as a member of the public. Larry Mork stated that the discussion length estimates on the agenda should better reflect reality. On a motion by Larry Mork and a second by Jim Fisk, the BAC adjourned at 8:16 pm.

The next regular meeting of the STA BAC is scheduled for **Thursday, March 3, 2005** at 6:30 p.m..



DATE: February 24, 2005
TO: STA BAC
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Associate Planner
RE: TDA Article 3 Project Review

Background:

Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding is generated by a 1/4 cent tax on retail sales collected in California's 58 counties. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) administers this funding for each of the nine Bay Area counties with assistance from each of the county Congestion Management Agencies (e.g. Solano Transportation Authority). Two percent of the TDA funding generated, called TDA Article 3, is returned to each county from which it was generated for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Although the exact amount fluctuates every year, Solano County generally receives \$235,000 annually.

The STA's Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) is required by MTC to review TDA Article 3 applications and make funding recommendations for bicycle related projects. The BAC established TDA Article 3 Criteria and Guidelines, based on MTC requirements, to assist them in recommending priority countywide bicycle projects. Their recommendations are conveyed through a 5-year implementation plan (TDA Article 3 5-year Bicycle Plan, See Attachment D for current plan), which is updated annually to allow bicycle project sponsors to add, delete, or change the project status. Projects in the first year of the updated TDA Article 3 5-year Bicycle Plan are recommended to MTC for funding

Discussion:

As requested by the BAC, the project applicants for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 program were invited to present their projects at the March 3, 2005 BAC meeting. The following agencies have submitted requests for the current TDA cycle:

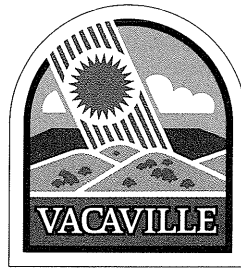
City of Vacaville	Ulati Creek Class 1 Bicycle Path
City of Vallejo	Mare Island Bicycle Trail
Solano County	Pleasant Valley Road Bridge at Pleasant Creek
Solano County	Abernathy Road Bridge at Ledgwood Creek
Solano County	Cordelia Road Bridge at Suisun Creek

The BAC will be requested to make a TDA Article 3 project recommendation at their April 7, 2005 meeting allowing members a month of additional project review.

Attachments:

- A. City of Vacaville - Ulatis Creek Class 1 Bicycle Path
- B. City of Vallejo - Mare Island Bicycle Trail
- C. Solano County - Pleasants Valley Road Bridge at Pleasants Creek
 - Abernathy Road Bridge at Ledgwood Creek
 - Cordelia Road Bridge at Suisun Creek
- D. FY 2005-2010 5-Year Solano Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan

COUNCIL MEMBERS
LEN AUGUSTINE, Mayor
PAULINE CLANCY, Vice Mayor
CHUCK DIMMICK
STEVE HARDY
STEVE WILKINS



ATTACHMENT A

FEB 23 2005

CITY OF VACAVILLE

650 MERCHANT STREET, VACAVILLE, CALIFORNIA 95688-6908

ESTABLISHED 1850

February 18, 2005

Department of Public Works
Engineering Services

Robert Guerrero
Associate Planner
Solano Transportation Authority
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
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SUBJECT: City of Vacaville Projects for TDA Article 3 5-Year Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan (2009–2010)

Dear Robert:

The Ulatis Creek Bikeway System is the City's current area of focus now that the City has completed the Alamo Creek Bike Path System. The City of Vacaville was fortunate enough to receive approval recently for \$1,000,000 worth of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program Funding for three different bike paths. They are as follows:

Ulatis Creek Bike Path (Allison Drive to Ulatis Drive) - \$400,000
Southside Bikeway (Alamo Drive to California Drive) - \$300,000
Centennial Bikeway (Browns Valley Parkway to Vaca Valley Parkway) - \$300,000

As a result of this additional CMAQ funding, the City of Vacaville expects to complete construction of the Ulatis Creek Bike Path, from Allison Drive to Ulatis Drive, in the fall of 2005.

The City of Vacaville has two segments of the Ulatis Creek Bike Path, from Allison Drive to Ulatis Drive, included in Year 3 (2007–2008) and Year 4 (2008–2009) of the FY 2005–2010 5-Year Solano Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan as Segments C and D. Both of these segments will now be constructed without any additional funding from TDA Article 3.

In the place of Segments C and D of the Ulatis Creek Bike Path in the FY 2005–2010 5-Year Solano Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan, the City of Vacaville respectfully requests that new segments of the Ulatis Creek Bike Path be approved to replace the City of Vacaville projects noted in Year 3 (2007–2008) and Year 4 (2008–2009) of the Plan. The new segments are as follows:

Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path (Allison Drive to a point midway between Allison Drive and I-80) for Year 3 (2007–2008) – Approximate Distance of 2630' with an estimated total project cost of \$400,000 (TDA Article 3 Request of \$75,000)

DEPARTMENTS: Area Code (707)

TDD (707) 449-5162 or California Relay Service 7-1-1

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Administrative Services 449-5101	City Attorney 449-5105	City Manager 449-5100	Community Development 449-5140	Community Services 449-5654	Fire 449-5452	Housing & Redevelopment 449-5660	Police 449-5200	Public Works 449-5170
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Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path (From a point midway between Allison Drive and I-80 west to I-80) for Year 4 (2008–2009) – Approximate Distance of 2200', including a pedestrian bridge, with an estimated total project cost of \$600,000 (TDA Article 3 Request of \$150,000)

The City of Vacaville then respectfully requests to have the following project added to Year 5 (2009–2010) of the subject plan:

Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path (Ulatis Drive to Leisure Town Road)

This segment of the Ulatis Creek Bike Path would extend the Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path from where the current project that will be constructed in 2005 will end and take it further east, approximately 7,500' over to Leisure Town Road. The approximate cost for this segment is \$1,500,000. The TDA request will be for \$150,000.

All three proposed segments of the Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path are included in the August 2004 version of the Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan.

Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (707) 449-5424, or via e-mail at ehuestis@cityofvacaville.com.

Sincerely,



EDWARD P. HUESTIS
Transportation Systems Manager

Copy to:
Paul Hom, Deputy Director of Public Works (Engineering)
Shawn Cunningham, Senior Civil Engineer



CITY OF VALLEJO

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Engineering Division

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February 17, 2005

Mr. Robert Z. Guerrero, Associate Planner
Solano Transportation Authority
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
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SUBJECT: Request for Article 3 Project – South Mare Island Bicycle Trail

Dear Mr. Guerrero:

I would like to inform you that the City of Vallejo is interested in having the subject project included in the TDA Article 3 five-year Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan.

The project title is "South Mare Island Bicycle Trail". After its completion, this project will be a part of the STA's Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. This new section will provide a desirable bicycle and pedestrian loop within Mare Island and will be connected to the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian network.

Enclosed is a memo from Ray Leftwich, our Associate Civil Engineer, which gives detailed information regarding the location and approximate cost estimate of this project.

We would like to request the subject project to be included in the 5th year (FY2009/10) of the five-year Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan. If you have any questions, please call me at (707) 648-4300.

Sincerely,

TANER H. AKSU
Senior Civil Engineer

cc: Gary Leach, City Engineer

H:\ENG\DOC\2005\TDA Article 3 Projects

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENGINEERING DIVISION
CITY OF VALLJEO

February 16, 2005

TO: Taner Aksu, City Traffic Engineer

FROM: Ray Leftwich, Associate Civil Engineer



SUBJECT: SOUTH MARE ISLAND BIKE TRAIL

The proposal for a South Mare Island Bike Trail includes approximately 2.38 miles of Class I bicycle and pedestrian path that will connect with a planned Class I path near the former Marine Corps Parade Grounds, route through the Western Magazine to the southern tip of Mare Island and reconnect to the planned Class I path near the Mare Island Cemetery. The path will consist of an 8 foot wide asphalt concrete pathway bordered on each side by a 2 foot wide decomposed granite shoulder. Construction cost of the path is estimated to cost \$40/lf plus a 10% contingency, with design and construction management each estimated to cost 10% of construction cost and an additional 5% of construction cost reserved for the expense of permitting that is likely to be required by BCDC, Fish and Wildlife, Fish and Game, and other jurisdictional agencies. Total estimated project costs are calculated as follows:

Construction (12,600 lf @ \$40/lf)	\$504,000
10% Contingency	\$50,400
Sub Total	\$554,400
Design	\$55,440
Project Management	\$55,440
Permitting	\$27,720
Project Total	\$693,000

— CLASS I BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PATH (OFF-ST)

- - - PROPOSED SOUTH MARE ISLAND

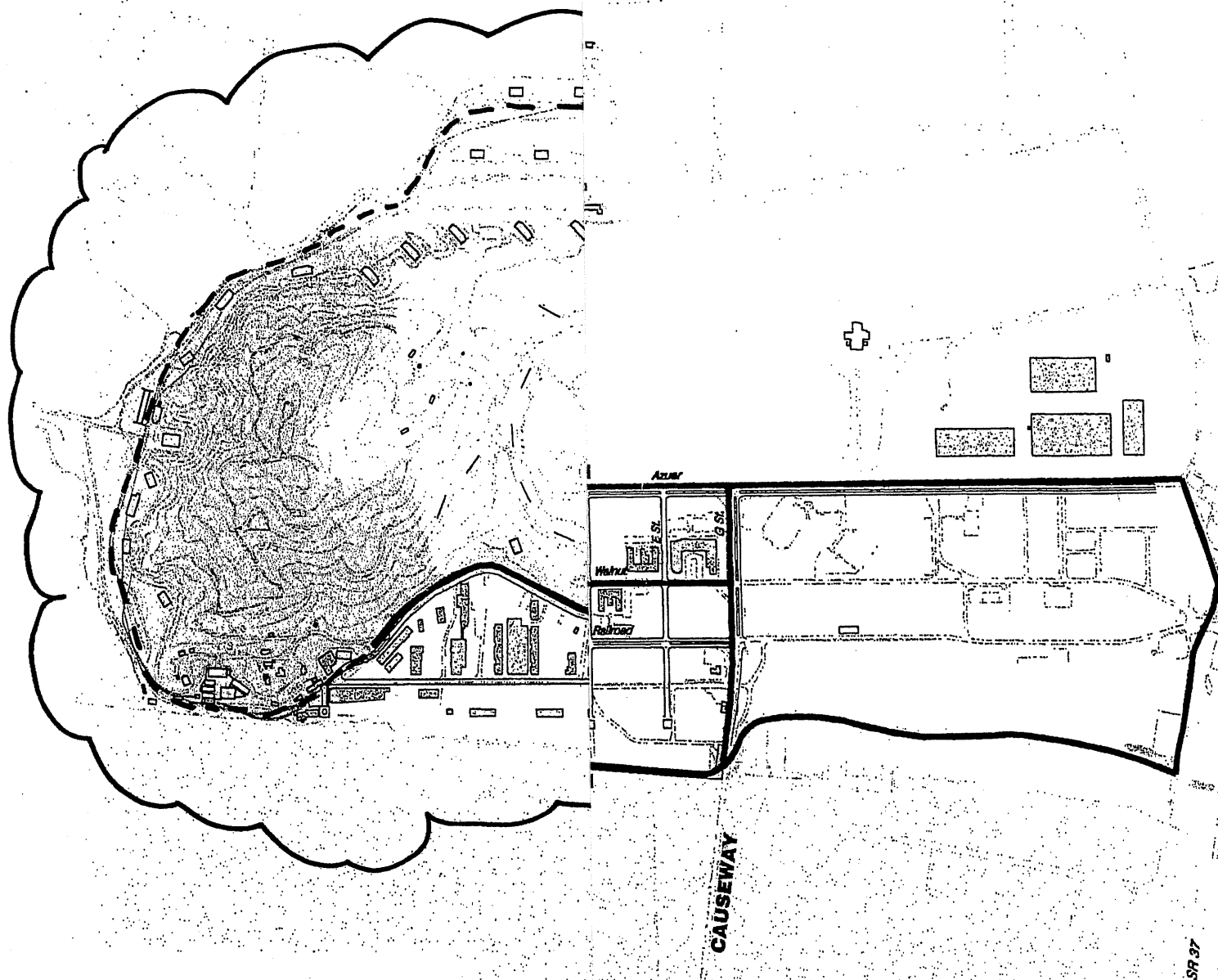


Figure 5.3

Bicycle and Pedestrian Routes

Mare Island Specific Plan, 2004



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ATTACHMENT C

SOLANO COUNTY
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Birgitta Corsello, Director
Cliff Covey, Assistant Director

February 18, 2005

Solano Transportation Authority
Robert Guerrero, Planner
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Re: TDA Article 3 Nominations

Dear Robert:

Per your request, attached is a TDA Article 3 Project Application Form for Solano County's Winters Railroad Bridge over Putah Creek. As you know, this is a joint project with the City of Winters. The project consists of the rehabilitation of a historic railroad bridge to provide bicyclists and pedestrians traveling to and from Solano County with a safe access to the city center. I have also enclosed a letter from the City of Winters describing the project funding and schedule in more detail. I appreciate your support of this project.

In addition, Solano County requests that one change be made to FY 2006/07 of the existing Five Year Plan. Currently, Solano County is scheduled to receive \$150,000 for Phase 1 of the Vacaville – Dixon Bike Route. Fortunately, Solano County was recently able to obtain Federal funds for the design of this project. However, pending the completion of the design, we have not obtained construction funds. The TDA funds would be helpful in initiating construction of this project, but would allow only a small segment of the route to be constructed until additional funding is secured.

Instead, I request that the funding be moved to our project to replace the bridge on Pleasants Valley Road at Pleasants Creek (Bridge No. 23C-10). This project will replace an existing 24 foot wide bridge that has no shoulders for bicyclists and pedestrians with a new 32 foot wide bridge that has four foot shoulders for bicyclists and pedestrians as well as a handrail (the attached photo shows a similar bridge constructed nearby). The matching funding has been secured for this project already. The TDA funding will assist Solano County's continuing efforts

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Engineering Manager

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Steve Hilas
Operations Manager

to improve its bridges to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians, in particular along the scenic Pleasants Valley Road route.

In addition, Solano County requests consideration be given to funding the following two bridge projects, listed in priority order. As you may recall, last year we requested funding for these projects in FY 2008/09. They are on the nomination list for that year, but as you know the projects listed for funding in that year greatly exceed the amount of funding available. Therefore, if they do not receive funding in FY 2008/09, we request funding be considered for FY 2009/10.

Abernathy Road Bridge at Ledgewood Creek (Bridge No. 23C-183)

This bridge is located on Abernathy Road just south of Mankas Corner Road. This is a very heavily traveled road, since it is used as the "back door" to Fairfield, with many residents of the city using Abernathy Road to access the freeway. The existing bridge is very narrow (20 feet wide). The proposed project will replace that bridge with a new bridge that has shoulders for bicycles. Abernathy Road is located along a Class 2 bike route per the Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan. We request \$100,000 in TDA Article 3 funding to help pay for the local match required for the project.

Cordelia Road Bridge at Suisun Creek (Bridge No. 23C-37)

This bridge is located on Cordelia Road just east of Thomasson Lane. This road is also very heavily traveled, since it is used by motorists trying to avoid the I-80/I-680 interchange. The existing bridge has a substandard width (29 feet wide). The proposed project will replace that bridge with a new 32 foot wide bridge that has shoulders for bicycles. Cordelia Road is located along a Class 2 bike route per the Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan. We request \$100,000 in TDA Article 3 funding to help pay for the local match required for the project.

Thank you for considering these requests. Feel free to call me at (707) 784-6072 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Wiese", written in a cursive style.

Paul Wiese
Engineering Manager

TDA Article 3 Project Application Form

Fiscal Year of this Claim: 2005/06 Applicant: Solano County

Contact person: Paul Wiese

E-Mail Address: pwiese@solanocounty.com Telephone: (707) 784-6072

Secondary Contact (in event primary not available): Leo Flores

E-Mail Address: leflores@solanocounty.com Telephone: (707) 784-6073

Short Title Description of Project: Winters Railroad Bridge over Putah Creek

Amount of claim: \$150,000

Functional Description of Project:

Rehabilitate the existing historic railroad bridge over Putah Creek as a bicycle and pedestrian only bridge.

Financial Plan:

Below, please list project components being applied for such as planning, engineering right-of-way, construction, contingencies, etc.; also provide project budget showing total cost of project and other funding sources. If this is a segment of a larger project, include prior and proposed funding sources for other segments.

Project Components: Funding applied for will be used for construction.

Funding Source	All Prior FYs	Application FY	Next FY	Following FYs	Totals
TDA Article 3		\$150,000			\$150,000
list all other sources:					
1. Redevelopment		\$328,000			\$328,000
2. Prop 40		\$220,000			\$220,000
3. YSAQMD		\$30,000			\$30,000
Totals		\$728,000			\$728,000

Project Eligibility:	YES?/NO?
A. Has the project been approved by the claimant's governing body? (If "NO," use the next page to provide the approximate date approval is anticipated) (Anticipated in April, 2005)	No
B. Has this project previously received TDA Article 3 funding? If "YES," provide an explanation on the next page.	No
C. For "bikeways," does the project meet Caltrans minimum safety design criteria pursuant to Chapter 1000 of the California Highway Design Manual? (Available on the internet at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/oppd/hdm/chapters/t1001.htm)	N/A
D. Has the project been reviewed by a Bicycle Advisory Committee? (If "NO," use the next page to provide a sound explanation)	Yes
E. Has the public availability of the environmental compliance documentation for the project pursuant to CEQA been evidenced by the dated stamping of the document by the county clerk or county recorder?	No
F. Will the project be completed within the three fiscal year time period (including the fiscal year of funding) after which the allocation expires? Enter the anticipated completion date of project (month and year) September, 2005	Yes
G. Have provisions been made by the claimant to maintain the project or facility, or has the claimant arranged for such maintenance by another agency? (If an agency other than the Claimant is to maintain the facility provide its name: City of Winters)	Yes

February 9, 2005

Mr. Paul Wiese
Engineering Manager
Solano County Transportation
333 Sunset Avenue, Suite 260
Suisun City, CA 94585

Dear Paul,

The City of Winters respectfully requests Solano County Transportation Authority submit the Railroad Trestle Bridge Improvements project to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for consideration in allocating TDA Article 3 funds for 2005/06.

The project will renovate and convert a historic railroad trestle bridge over Putah Creek for use by bicyclists and pedestrians. Proposed improvements include a new reinforced concrete deck, safety railings, lighting, signage, and approaches. The Bridge crossing would tie into the Community Center and Putah Creek Nature path, and is very close to historic downtown Winters. The bridge represents the link between Solano County and Yolo County. The existing Putah Creek Bridge, which is adjacent to the Railroad Trestle Bridge has a 20' roadway width, which is too narrow for safe use by bicyclists and pedestrians, so separation from the vehicular traffic is highly desirable. This project is identified in the Bikeway Master Plan and Putah Creek Nature Park Master Plan.

Quincy Engineering has nearly completed the construction documents and a mitigated negative declaration will be ratified by Council on February 15, 2005. Bid call is scheduled for the following week and contract award is slated for early April 2005. Construction should commence in early May 2005 and with a 95 working-day construction period allotted, completion should occur in early September 2005.

The project budget is currently \$728,000. Winters joint City Council/Community Development Agency has authorized redevelopment bond funds in the amount of \$112,000. Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District has granted the City \$30,000 for the project. The City has also received Prop. 40 grant funding in the amount of \$220,000. The unfunded balance is \$366,000. The TDA Article 3 funds are requested to supplement additional redevelopment bond funds to cover the shortfall.

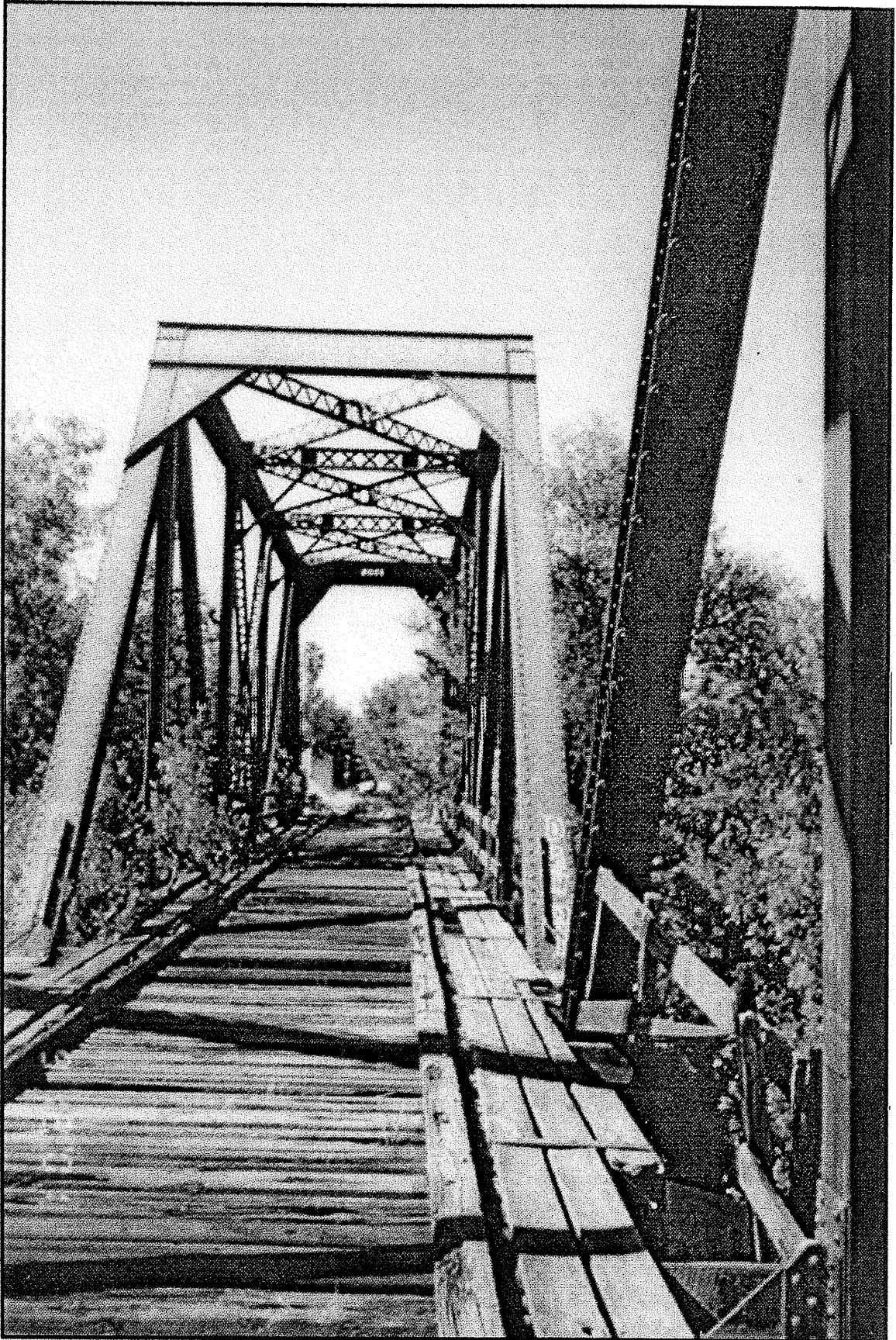
The City is excited to renovate this historic non-vehicular link between Yolo and Solano Counties. The project will directly benefit and be used by both commuting and

recreation bicyclists, as well as pedestrians. Your support and funding is crucial to the success of the project.

Sincerely,

John W. Donlevy, Jr.
City Manager

Attachment: location map
photos

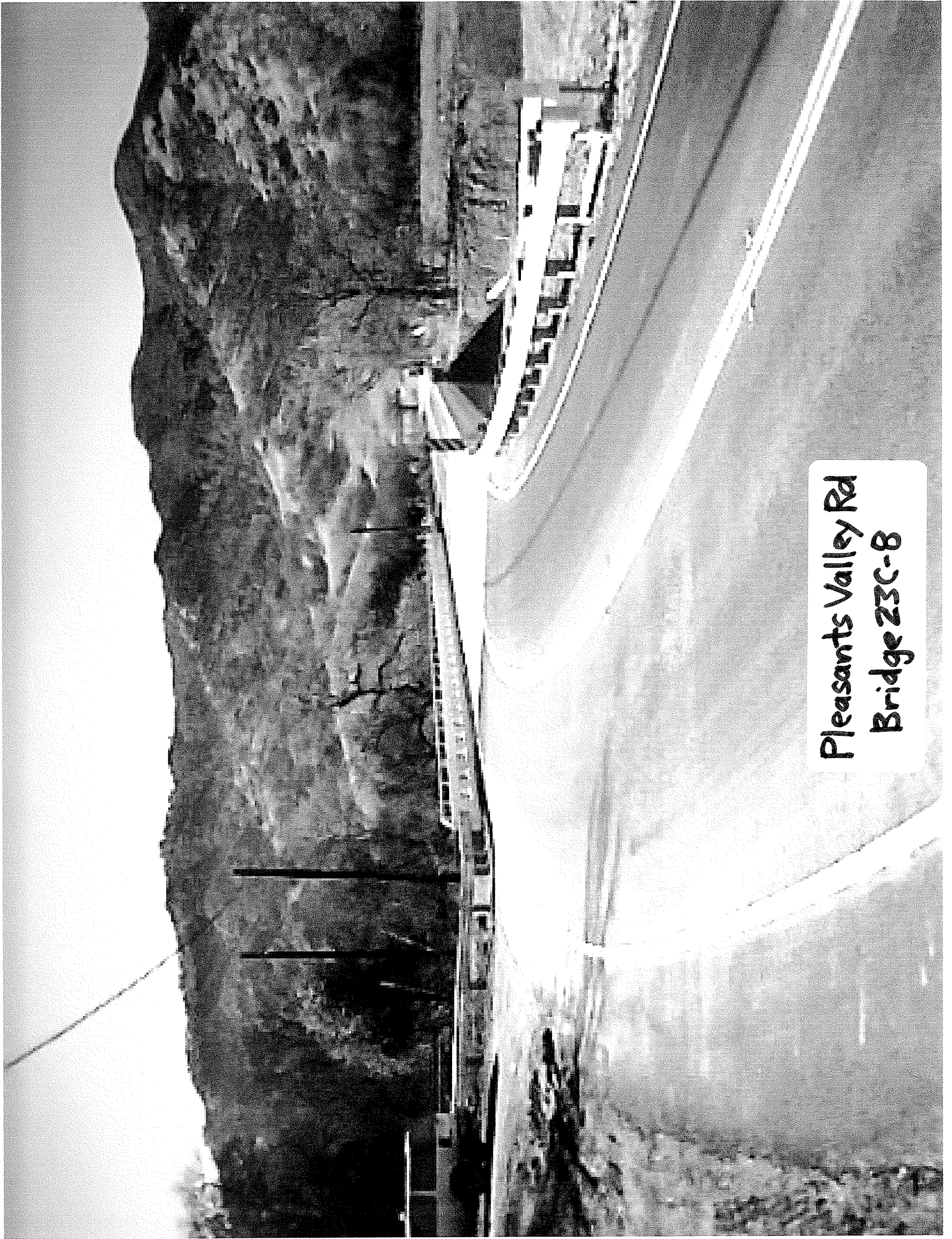


Winters Railroad Bridge - looking north



Winters Railroad Bridge - looking east

Pleasants Valley Rd
Bridge 23C-8



FY 2005-2010 5-Year Solano Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan

Project Sponsor	Project	Total Project	TDA Request.	Recommend.	Est. Running Balance	Comments
Year 1 (2005-2006)					\$235,000	\$235,000 MTC estimate plus any balance from previous year
1. Co. of Solano	Winters Railroad Bridge over Putah Creek	\$2,000,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$85,000	These TDA Article 3 funds are intended to help a local match to other state or federal discretionary to be pursued by applicant.
2. City of Fairfield	Construct Class 1 Fairfield Linear Park and related enhancements (landscaping, lighting, amenities) located between Union Avenue and Air Base Parkway	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	\$79,907	\$5,093	These TDA Article 3 funds are intended to help a local match to other state or federal discretionary to be pursued by applicant.
SUBTOTAL		\$3,400,000	\$1,550,000	\$229,907	\$5,093	
Year 2 (2006-2007)					\$235,093	\$235,000 MTC estimate plus any balance from previous year
1. City of Fairfield	Class 1 Linear Park Trail- design and construction of enhancements (landscaping, lighting, amenities, etc.) for the Linear Park Trail between Union Avenue and North Texas Street.	1,400,000	\$60,093	\$60,093	\$175,000	Applicant requested additional funding for the Linear Project for a total of \$140,000. Letter dated Jan. 7th 2002.
2. Solano County	Vacaville-Dixon Bike Route (Phase 1)		\$150,000	\$150,000	\$25,000	Applicant request dated 2/15/02
SUBTOTAL		\$1,400,000	\$210,093	\$210,093	\$25,000	
Year 3 (2007-2008)					\$255,000	\$235,000 MTC estimate plus any balance from previous year.
City of Rio Vista	Class 1 Bike Route between Trilogy Subdivision and Downtown Rio Vista	\$312,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$155,000	Request made 2003
County of Solano	Suisun Valley Road Bridge at Suisun Creek Replacement Project (Bridge no. 23C-77)	\$1,400,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$75,000	Originally recommended for funding in 2004-05 for \$76,000. Request made 2003.
City of Vacaville	Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path (Segment C)	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	Request made 2003
SUBTOTAL		\$1,862,000	\$255,000	\$255,000	\$0	
Year 4 (2008-2009)					\$235,000	\$235,000 MTC estimate plus any balance from previous year.
City of Vacaville	Ulatis Creek Class I Bike Path (Segment D) - completes the class I bikeroute between Allison Drive to Ulatis Drive near intersection w/ Nut Tree Road.	\$250,000	\$150,000			
Solano County	Bridge replacement project to include class 2 bike route on Abernathy Road, south of Mankas Corner Road.		\$100,000			
Solano County	Bridge replacement project to include class 2 bike route on Cordelia Road, east of Thomasson Lane		\$100,000			
Rio Vista	Waterfront Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements		\$200,000			
Suisun City	Class I Bike/Pedestrian Path along McCoy Creek from Highway 12 to Pintail		\$75,000			
STA	Countywide Bicycle Plan Update		\$40,000			
SUBTOTAL		\$250,000	\$665,000	\$0		

NEW PROJECT REQUEST

Year 5 (2009-2010)



DATE: February 24, 2005
TO: STA BAC
FROM: Robert Guerrero, Associate Planner
RE: Caltrans Review of the Countywide Bicycle Plan for BTA Funds

Background:

Caltrans Bicycle Facilities Unit recently completed its review of the Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan update and formally stated that it complies with Section 891.2 of the Streets and Highway Code (see attached Caltrans transmittal).

Discussion:

Interested BTA applicants may adopt the Countywide Bicycle Plan as their own (if they haven't already) to be eligible for the funding program

Attachment:

- A. Caltrans Division of Local Assistance BTA Review Letter

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February 18, 2005

Mr. Dan Christians
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Solano Transportation Authority
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
Suisun City, CA 95301

Dear Mr. Christians:

The California Department of Transportation Bicycle Facilities Unit has completed its review of the *Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan* (October 2004) and finds that it complies with Section 891.2 of the Streets and Highway Code.

If the County of Solano and the incorporated cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville, and Vallejo intend to use the plan to establish eligibility for Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) funding, they must adopt the plan as their own through their local governing board or council. A copy of the adopted resolution must accompany BTA applications.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (916) 653-0036 or e-mail at david_priebe@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

DAVID PRIEBE
Bicycle Facilities Unit
Division of Local Assistance

c:/Robert Guerrero, STA

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